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DEPT FOR SCA/RA ATTN: JOSEPH BRENNIG

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SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING FOR ARF DISASTER RELIEF EXERCISE, MAY 04 TO MAY 08, 2009

¶1. This is an action request. See para three.

¶2. The following candidate has been selected for participation in The ARF Disaster Relief Exercise in Philippines, which will begin on May 04, 2009. Post vetting was completed on April 26, 2009. Post requests that vetting be completed by May 05 to provide sufficient time for processing. Post requests the department conduct Leahy vetting for the following candidate:

¶1. Name: Md Wahidul Islam
Rank: Lieutenant Colonel
Unit: 3 Engineer Battalion
Unit Location: Bogra
Personal Number: BA 3580
Date of Birth: 02 August 1969
Place of Birth: Magura, Bangladesh

¶3. Post requests that the Department of State authorize post to make the following statement to the relevant DOD units: "Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above named individual or unit."

¶4. Post Human Rights Officer is David Arulanantham, unclass e-mail:arulananthamdp@state.gov.

¶5. COMMENT: Embassy has no information to indicate these individuals or any units they have served in have been involved in gross violations of human rights.

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